



CITY OF HOUSTON

City Council

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Recycling Competition

Dear Friends:

As you may know, several Houston neighborhoods, including yours, were recently chosen to participate in the City of Houston's new Single-Stream Recycling Pilot Program. Single-stream recycling is one of the most efficient ways to recycle - no sorting of recyclables required!

As Chairman of the City's Sustainable Growth Committee, Council Member Peter Brown has been active in promoting recycling and facilitating the recycling process for Houstonians. So, as a way to encourage participation in your neighborhood, **Council Member Peter Brown is personally sponsoring a friendly competition between the eight participating neighborhoods.** With the help of Keep Houston Beautiful, Council Member Peter Brown will award the top three neighborhoods with the highest overall participation rates. The Solid Waste Department will monitor monthly participation rates of the eight neighborhoods and average out the monthly rates after six months to determine the winners. **The top three neighborhoods will receive: \$1,000 (first), \$500 (second), \$250 (third).**

The monetary award will be presented after the six month period to the winning neighborhood associations/civic clubs (tentatively scheduled for Monday, September 21, 2009), which they will use for revitalization and beautification projects within the neighborhood. **Your civic association has agreed to participate in Council Member Peter Brown's competition, so get those carts out!** Monthly participation reports will be provided to your **civic association**, and will also be available on our website: www.HoustonTX.gov/council/1.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel Santamaria", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Daniel Santamaria
Director of Community Affairs